THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) :(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Identification of Bangalore and Hyderabad for Expansion

3224. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be please to state:

(a) whether the Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd. has indemnified Bangalore and Hyderabad as a priority areas for purposes of expansion;

(b) if so, the time which a final decision is likely to be taken in the matter:

(c) the details of the objective of these projects;

(d) the total amount spent thereon: and

(e) what extent, both Bangalore, Hyderabad centres will be coordinated?.

THE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NATH): (a) International Telecommunication facilities are already available at Bangalore and Hyderabad. Though there is no specific proposal for expansion of international Telecom facilities at these places at present, the expansion of the facilities is enerally demand based.

(b) to (e). Do not arise in view of answer to (a) above.

[*Translation*]

Representation of Journalists in Press Country of India

3225. SHRI HARIKEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of Information & Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) The provisional for giveigh representation to journalists in the Press Council of India.

(b) the present set up of existing Council the criteria adopted fo given representation of journalists of Indian languages;

(c) whether any representionhas been made against the existing criteria;

(d) if so. the action taken in this regard thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINSTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) The provision for giving representation to the journalists in the Press Council of India are contioned course(a) of Sub-Section (3) of Section 5 of Press Council Act, 1978 read with Rules 3 and 4 of the Press Council (procedure for Nomination of Members) Rules. 1978.

(b) In representation to a Chairman, the Press Council has 28 members A copy of the Notification containi containing details of 28 memberss endlosed as statement

(c) No representation against the criteria prescribed by the Act and the Rules made thereunder appears to have been received.

(d) Does not arise.